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SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" - Jn 14:2

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

Mass on the Grass

Outdoors

8:30 a.m.

Indoor Mass

10:30 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Daily Mass (M-W)

8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays

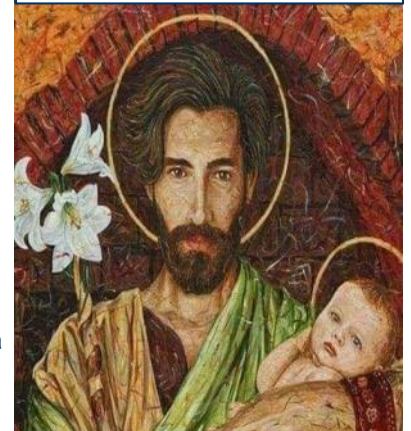
3:45-4:30 p.m.

Inside Church

Adoration

First Fridays

8:00-9:00 a.m.



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said,

"It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table.

Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." (Acts 6:2-4)

Psalm:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Ps 33)

Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Pt 2:9)

Gospel:

Jesus said to him,

"I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.

If you know me, then you will also know my Father."

(Jn 14:6-7)

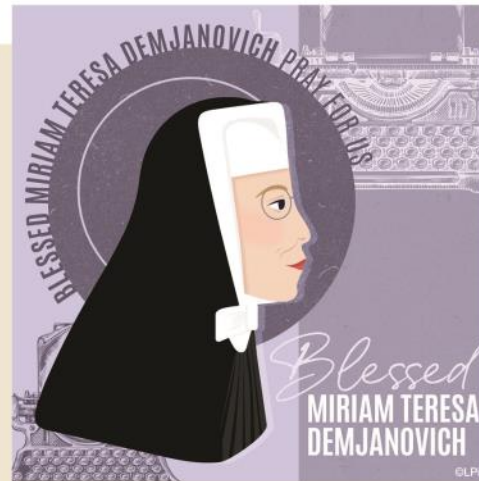
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

To those who persist in faith, the truth is a living stone, strong enough to support the weight of real joy. To those who despair of faith, it is a stumbling block. The truth will always be in their way.

Observances for the week of May 7, 2023

- Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Easter
- Wednesday:** St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Damien de Veuster, Priest
- Friday:** Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr
- Saturday:** Our Lady of Fatima
- Next Sunday:** 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day



Saint of the week

Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich made it her short life's mission in early 1900s New Jersey, to educate everyone about humanity's universal call to holiness. Her writings can be found in a book called *The Greater Perfection*. She lived a life of contemplation and charity.

Prayer

Official Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich

Most Holy and Blessed Trinity, whom Blessed Miriam Teresa loved so ardently, grant that we like her may become ever more conscious of Your Divine Presence within our souls. We implore You to continue to show signs that Your humble servant enjoys glory with You in Heaven, and to hasten the day when we may render her a lasting tribute of our veneration and love. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://www.scnj.org/blessed-miriam-teresa>)

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Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parish Family:

Welcome to the 5th Sunday of Easter and the first weekend of May! This weekend we hear Jesus say that He is the Way, the Truth and the Life. When we follow His way, we are assured that we will do the works that Christ does, and even greater works!

I saw you at the Fair! Thanks for coming out and it seems that we broke several records! Expense invoices are still coming in so we'll have some final numbers to share with you in a few weeks. Thanks to the over 400 volunteers who gave up so much of their weekend to serve us and to make sure we all had a great time!

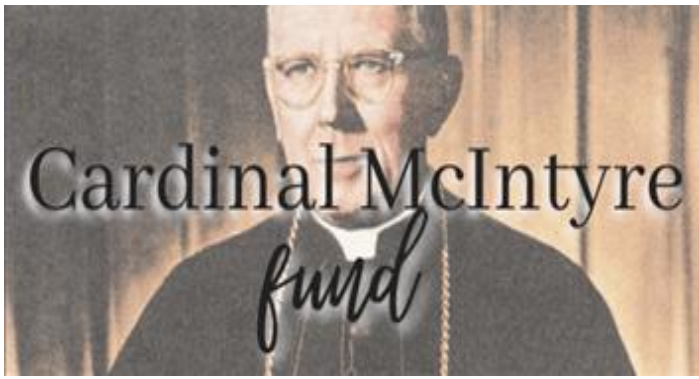
This weekend our local church takes up a collection for the annual Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity. Please scroll down and find out more about Cardinal McIntyre, his great love for the poor and charities! Thank you for supporting this fund as we can draw from it in order to take care of people who find themselves in emergency situations.

A couple of weeks ago I attended the Christ Renews his Parish weekend at Saint Thomas More parish in Irvine. Six men from our parish and I went through an amazing renewal weekend and I'm excited that we'll be bringing this renewal weekend to our parish next fall. The weekend is Christ centered, scripturally based with sacramental encounters and a wonderful way to connect with fellow parishioners! I'll be speaking about this renewal in my homily this weekend.

May is the month of Sacramental Initiation. Next Saturday, we welcome Cardinal Roger Mahony who will confirm our High School Confirmation candidates with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit!! In two weekends, over 60 of our youth, mostly second graders will receive the Lord for the first time in the Holy Eucharist!

Bring Mom to Mass next weekend to receive a special Mother's Day Blessing!

Easter Peace,
Msgr. Kevin



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The 10:30 choir is seeking new members! We meet on Wednesday evenings at 7pm In the church and at 9:45am on Sunday mornings and would love to have you join us in this life-giving, spirit-nurturing activity. The only requirement is that you are able to sing on pitch. Please reach out to Vivian Doughty, Music Director with any questions.



ACCW

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our Parish Women and Men**

Do you sense that something’s missing in your life? Do you feel that if you weren’t so busy you would be happier, healthier, more effective, more fulfilled, and maybe even a better person?

Come to the Welcome Christ Renews His Parish retreat weekend! It’s an incredible experience that will help you discover what’s missing in your life and what to do about it. Whether you want to connect with other people in the parish, improve your prayer life, or just take a break from the craziness of your everyday to have fun, you will find what you are looking for – and more.

Women’s Weekend – September 23-24, 2023

Men’s Weekend – October 28-29, 2023

To learn more and to sign up, visit <https://stjosephlb.org/welcome-christ-renews/> or scan the QR code.



The Southeastern District of the Los Angeles Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) invites all women of the parish to a day of prayer and fellowship with other Catholic Women of the area. **EVERY CATHOLIC WOMAN IS A MEMBER AND THERE ARE NO DUES.** The next gathering will be held on Thursday, May 25, 2023 at St. Matthew Catholic Church, 672 Temple Ave, Long Beach, Ca 90814. The day begins at 9:30 a.m. and includes speaker, Deacon Alberto Reyes speaking on “Blessed Virgin Mary,” a mass, lunch and concludes at 1:30 p.m. Charge is \$20.00 per person. For reservation, please make your check payable and mail to Alice Avery, 19126 Pricetown Ave., Carson, Ca 90746. For information, call Alice Avery @ 310-637-1364 or Ann Barnes @ 562-633-7424 or Joan Braun @ 562-361-0309.

Pentecost
May 28, 2023

5 PM Mass
6 PM – 7 PM Food in Courtyard
7 PM – 9 PM Holy Spirit Retreat

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Prayer Healing

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“Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.” 1 John 3:18.

May 24 6:30 PM: Committee Meeting: Join us in the Parish Life Center for a very important, final meeting of this program year. We will decide what activities to promote and organizations to support in our program year beginning July 1.

June 24-25 Homeless Kit Drive: Provide daily necessities to people experiencing homelessness. Shopping lists will be available June 17. For many fulfilling ways to serve, please call Tim Clark at (562) 431-4385.



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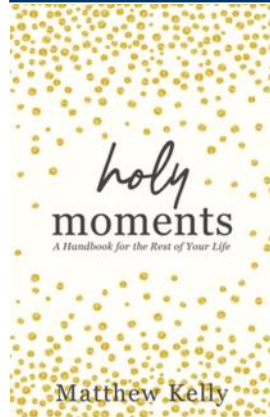
Monday 7 p.m. until June 5th

Call Deacon Tom/Pat 310-995-2725

All classes are held in the PLC building.



Book Club



Our next Zoom meeting is Wednesday, June 7 at 7pm. We will discuss:

Holy Moments – A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life by Matthew Kelly.

Some ideas are so powerful that simply becoming aware of them changes our lives forever. It’s time to let Holy Moments show you what is possible. It’s time to explore your soul-potential.

All are welcome!

For more info, email agoodlife@msn.com



Seniors Group



The next meeting of the St. Joseph Senior Group will be on

Monday, May 8th in the hall.

The activities will begin at 11:00 am and will include Bingo, many kinds of card games, Mexican train, and lots of socializing. Bring your brown bag lunch, and coffee, tea, water, snacks and dessert will be provided.

We look forward to seeing all our members and any new friends who would like to join us.



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